

NEWS FROM DHS FOR MARCH 2024

NEWS FROM MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE SERVICES

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2025/2026 Mobile Crisis Services application timelines



The mobile crisis services application and process have been updated. Last summer, we received input from counties, tribes, and subcontractors concerning difficulties with the application process. The areas of concern centered on delays in issuing the application, numerous budget revisions and short turnaround times for submitting a completed application to DHS. Below is a list of our anticipated rollout dates for the 2025-2026 mobile crisis services application.

Tentative Timelines

May 1: Deadline for reporting any changes to the 2023-2024 service area to DHS

Early May: Allocation letter and application issued to the county/tribe

May, June and July (dates TBD): TA/open office hours available

Mid-June: Deadline for notifying DHS of unused allocated funds for redistribution

Mid-July: Deadline for submitting to DHS budgets and work plans

Mobile Crisis Response Services 2025-2026 application changes:



The Mobile Crisis team would like to thank those who participated in focus group conversations last summer about the application process.

Based on these conversations, we have made changes to the upcoming application to improve the process.

WHAT'S NEW?

1. The applicant will receive the DHS allocation letter that includes amounts for CY25-CY26 along with the updated application.
2. The application template is now in Microsoft Word. Any restrictions to character limits have been removed.
3. The budget template has been updated. You no longer enter amounts for each item listed within a category, only totals. You must ensure all documentation of allowable use expenditures is maintained and available to DHS upon request.
4. The work plan includes the additions of roles responsible and timeframes for the completion of each goal/objective.

TA Session: Billing Focused

A billing-focused technical assistance session will be held on March 28, 2024, at 10 a.m.

On March 4, 2024, DHS emailed providers an MS Teams link with invite details. If you did not receive the invitation and would like to attend, please email us at dhs.cmhcrisis@state.mn.us.

Training opportunity: Mental Health Crisis and Substance Use training by Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation

DHS and MDH are partnering with Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation to provide a 12-hour training over three days. This training is aimed at crisis response services providers and 988 crisis call center members serving individuals using substances and/or who are dually diagnosed. The training is scheduled on May 29th, 30th & 31st | 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. CT and will be held over Zoom. CEUs will be available for those attending all three days. Space is limited. Please register [here](#) if you can attend all days.

988/Mobile Crisis workgroup opportunity

DHS and MDH are partnering to host a working group comprised of representatives from 988 call centers and mobile crisis teams. The goal is to meet one hour each month to promote a more intentional collaboration between mobile crisis teams and Minnesota's 988 call centers. The work may include identifying gaps and areas for improvement, building relationships and better understanding both services. If you would like more information or to be included in this workgroup, please email jenna.beeson.brevig@state.mn.us by March 31, 2024.

Social Solutions: MN 24/7 IDD, TBI and/or co-occurring mental health disorder consultation services

Provide 24/7 clinical consultation via phone and/or videoconferencing to mental health mobile crisis providers across the state of Minnesota in the context of providing crisis services to individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities, Traumatic Brain Injury, ASD and/or a co-occurring mental health disorder.

SERVICES OFFERED

- Clinical assessment/techniques to serve IDD, TBI, and/or co-occurring mental health disorders
- Specialized short-term consultation when responding to individuals with an intellectual/developmental disability and/or a traumatic brain injury
- Assist individuals in connecting to services in their area or region

WHEN TO CALL

- Review cases and get specific interventions and techniques for a target population
- Immediate consultation in assisting individual get to stabilization and back to their baseline functioning.
- After a crisis has been resolved, create a plan for the individual based on needs
- Assistance with linking individuals with resources and services in their community

CONTACT US

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MetrCCs Summit 2024: Call for proposals

The Minnesota Mobile Mental Health Crisis Response Summit is inviting you to submit a proposal to present virtually at the 5th annual Minnesota Mobile Mental Health Crisis Response Summit held on August 6 and 7, 2024.

EVENT GOALS

- Provide top-notch training to mobile mental health crisis responders and their partners around the state to ensure that people experiencing a mental health crisis receive the best possible care
- Elevate the field of mobile mental health crisis response as a sustainable, skilled profession
- Build a well-rounded body of online training content that mental health crisis workers can access 24/7
- **New this year:** Knowing that many of you are seeking more depth of content, we hope to have a mix of entry-level and more advanced offerings

You must submit your proposal [here](#) no later than April 1, 2024.

